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General Club Meeting

Held at 8:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, normally in the large meeting room of the Idaho Falls Public Library. NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY.

Membership Fees

Full year:
 Individuals: \$20
 Family: \$25
 From July 1 - October 1
 Individuals: \$15
 Family: \$20

After October 1, the payment of full year fee applies to the following year. Full-time students (18 or older) and seniors (65 or older): \$5 off the above fee schedule.

Council Meetings and Bulletin Deadline

Any interested member is invited to attend.

Materials for the bulletin are due by the weekend before the council meetings. Please send material to the bulletin editor at 2188 St. Clair Road, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83404 or by email to rener@srv.net

ANNUAL WINTER BASH AND MEMBERSHIP PARTY

January 3 @ 8PM

St. Marks Episcopalians Basement Meeting Room - 4 & South Boulevard

It is that time of the year again for the IAC Annual Winter Membership Party and to renew your membership in the IAC. Don't forget that renewals received by January 31, 2001 will save you \$5 off of the membership this year. If you haven't already joined the IAC, start off the new year by joining so you can enjoy the many benefits of being an IAC member. The party is open to the public. All outdoor enthusiasts are invited to attend.

Annual Winter Bash - continued

Finger foods and beverages will be provided by the club. Those who desire may bring munchies to share. Gather up your prints, slides, and tales from the 2000 outings to compare with everyone else or to swap. A Kodak Carousel style slide projector will be available for showing members' slides. Sign-up sheets for pending XC ski and snowshoe trips will be available.

President Speaks

Happy New Year! We are already planning trips for the summer season. A trip into Fairyland Basin is being planned by Tim Adkison. He showed slides of that rarely explored area of Yellowstone Park in September. A trip down to Red Rocks is in the planning stages for April. Mark and I will be coordinating that one. Another trip with the IAC / PATC is being planned, into the Grand Canyon this year. Some of the IAC members are entering the Rendezvous Race in West Yellowstone in March so we will be skiing the courses at Rendevous, Harriman, and Targhee a lot between now and then, in addition to the club trips elsewhere. Don't miss out on the fun by letting your membership lapse.

Seems like every other week avalanches are claiming additional victims. The avalanche course available through Yostmark in Driggs is an excellent course. The course is quite thorough and makes you realize that you don't have to hike to the top of a mountain to be in avalanche terrain. Anyone who is active in winter sports would benefit from the course. At \$80 per person, the course is very inexpensive.

Let it snow!!

Donna

November IAC Council Minutes

Nov 28 2000 1686 Brentwood Dr 8pm

Attendees:

Tim Adkison	Kevin Coble
Jeff Coward	Garney Hardy
Kathy Hellyer	Eric Peterson
Donna Whitham	Mark Whitham
Leon Wolfram	

Treasurer's Report:

General Fund	\$4,832.00
Rafting Fund	\$2,057.00
Expenditures	\$108.00
Membership	136

The design for stickers was discussed. A suggestion was made to add the club email address. The club membership will be asked to comment at the next meeting.

Tim reported that 24 long sleeved shirts have been ordered and should be here for the Dec meeting. He ordered 6 small, 6 medium, and 12 large, half in white and half in grey.

Donna will look for a room for the Wilderness First Aid class.

She will also go to St Marks between Christmas and New Year's to review what is required as far as cleanup and find out where to get the keys for the January party.

There was no information on a proposal for a new raft. Some club rafts apparently are not being used. Leon is to check with Hulet's and Jim Lee to see if we should attempt to get rid of some rafts.

A new trifold for the club will be printed in January with updated information about officers. It will also be expanded to be a fourfold so that additional information can be added.

Officers were elected for the coming year. They are:

President: Donna Whitham

Vice-president: Tim Adkison

Secretary: Doug Clark

Treasurer: Garney Hardy

December IAC COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: 19 December 2000

Location: 706 Laurelwood

Time: 8:00 PM

Attendees:

Donna Whitham Garney Hardy

Tim Adkison Betsy Adkison

Jeff Coward Kevin Coble

Doug Clark Mark Whitham

December note taker - Donna

Read and approved last month's Council meeting minutes with the following noted: Boise info needs to be provided by the end of December to be included in brochure.

Treasurers Report –

General Funds: \$4,587

Rafting Funds: \$2,057

Expenditures: \$244

Report on CD's: \$4245 (note that the CD's are part of the General and Rafting funds, not a separate amount)

Number of memberships to date: 140

Old Business –

Tim is getting quotes for several marketing items (stickers, patches and t-shirts). He will research further and get more quotes from other sources for stickers and patches. Donna to email art work to a company in Salt Lake. Long sleeve shirts have come in in size Medium and Large in white and gray. The small white shirts are already sold out. Betsy and Donna noted that the white shirts are rather see thru. XLarge and small have been ordered in gray. Tim is ordering one navy blue shirt in medium to see what it will look like. The shirts are \$21 for the long sleeve shirts.

Wilderness First Aid Training course: Cost will be \$140 based on the room costs quoted, the course cost per student, and estimated instructor travel costs. Having trouble finding a cheap room available on Saturday and Sunday. Depending on number of students and actual costs, club member final costs will be discounted. Two years ago with a sold out course, the club members who took the course had a final cost of \$85.

January meeting: St Marks Episcopalian basement (the Soup Kitchen) on South Boulevard will be the location. St. Johns has rented out their parish hall on Wednesday nights, for the next umpety squat years. Tim to pick up beer, pop, relish trays for party. Garney will make sure someone has the member cards and applications in case she is late getting back to Idaho Falls that nite. Donna picking up key and reviewing policy on room use with St. Marks over the curtailment.

New raft proposal: There was still no information on a proposal for a new raft. Some club rafts apparently are not being used. Leon is to check with Hulet's and Jim Lee to see if we should attempt to get rid of some rafts.

Tri-fold updates: Garney to tech review the tri-fold for content so we can keep it to a tri-fold to keep costs of printing down. No Boise information has been provided yet. A note was sent to Deborah Fulkerson requesting that information on October 27. Jeff will email a digitized file for the logo to Donna.

New Business –

Garney proposed a change to the membership application that the mid year discount is only applicable between July 1 and October 1. Several applications have come in with the wrong amount after October 1 because the note that full dues apply after October 1 has been missed. The proposed change was approved.

Garney to email bulletin numbers to Jeff so he can see if the company he works for can print the bulletin on high speed laser printers for a lower cost than the current copy costs. Currently copy costs are about \$100 per month for 170 copies. (4 pages, 2 sided, black ink, stapled).

Garney noted that members need to remember to fill out both sides of the application and release form when they send in their renewals. We are getting a lot with only one side filled out or only a check and no form at all. That means she has to mail the form to the member and they have to mail it back.

Next two council meetings:

Place and Date:

Coble 2246 W. Saddle Lane - 1/30/2001

Adkison 625 Ruth Ave - 02/27/2001

Meeting adjourned approximately 9:35PM.

Upcoming Programs:

We will have programs on the Cascades and on How to Take Better Photos in February and March.

Renew your memberships NOW and SAVE \$5.

In honor of 40 years of the IAC, members who renew their annual membership, by January 31, 2001 will save \$5. This is a one time renewal savings and your renewal has to be in the Treasurers hands by January 31, 2001. So don't wait till the last minute to renew.

Climbing Co-Coordinator Needed for the 2001 Thursday Night Climbs

Eric would like someone to help him out this next summer on the Thursday night climbs to set the ropes and lead the routes. Contact Eric for more information about the position at 529.9538.

IAC LOGO T-SHIRTS!!

The t-shirts are really cool! Short sleeves, crew neck, heather grey (just dark enough to not show dirt unless you wallow in the mud) Dri Release material with embroidered club logo! The logo is sooo detailed that you can even see the rope hanging from the little climber! \$12 each. Sizes Medium, Large and X-Large. These shirts are great out in the field. They dry really fast and don't get stinky like the polypro stuff does after a

couple days or even a week on the Teton Crest Trail. The shirts are available at the monthly meetings, but if you just can't wait until the next meeting, contact Mark or Donna at 524.6119 to get yours sooner.

American Avalanche Institute Level 1 Avalanche Course

Sponsored by Yostmark

January 12, 13, & 14 2001

This is an excellent avalanche education course for educating yourself about avalanches or refreshing your skills if you have taken this course before. The cost is \$80 per person which is a bargain since the Avalanche Institute charges substantially more to take the same course individually through them. Even if you aren't hiking up to the top of Glory Bowl and are just puttering up one of the canyons you will learn to recognize the potential hazards from avalanche chutes above that nice peaceful looking canyon floor.

The planned schedule is as follows:

Friday American Legion Hall, Driggs, ID

1830: Introduction names, goals, and schedule, why avalanche education is important

1900: Avalanche Triangle

1910: Snow Formation - above the surface of the snow pack

1930: Snow on the surface

2000: Snow below the surface

2030: Types of avalanches & nomenclature

2100: Done

Saturday- AM Classes - Am. Legion Hall

0800: Weather's influence on the snow pack

0845: Terrain

0945: Route finding and safe travel protocols

1015: Snow behavior and avalanche mechanics

1115: Beacon introduction: Primary, Secondary, and Fine Searches

1200: Lunch

1300: FIELD SESSION - Meet by upper ticket office - Grand Targhee Ski Area - Terrain Analysis, crystallography, beacon practice

1700: End of field session at Targhee

1800: OPTIONAL CLASS - Snow mobility: The Benefits and Pitfalls of travelling on snow boards and snowmobiles - Am. Legion Hall

1845: Done

Sunday

0730: FIELD SESSION Meet at Teton Pass Parking Lot Beacon function check, informal and formal stability tests, further beacon practice, and ongoing snow pack/avalanche observations

1200: End Field Session

1300: CLASSROOM SESSION Am. Legion Hall - Spatial variability and other limitations of stability tests

1345: Human factors in avalanche decision making

1430: Backcountry avalanche forecasting and decision making

1515: Rescue procedures

1545: Formal review and questions

1700 Done

For more information and to sign up contact:

Yostmark Mountain Equipment

PO Box 514

Driggs, ID 83422

208-354-2828

fax 208-354-2263

clair@yostmark.com
<http://www.yostmark.com>

Cross Country Ski Trips - 2000

January 13 - Harriman Park

Park & Ski Pass is needed or you can pay to park at the park. We will meet at the park visitor center at 9AM. Call Mark or Donna to sign up 524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net.

February 24 - Ponds to Harriman

Northeast of Idaho Falls in Island Park. Rolling intermediate terrain. Trail is rated as advanced due to the 12+ miles. A shuttle will be needed so those that would rather ski at Harriman could drop the rest of the skiers off at Ponds and drive the cars back to Harriman. End of the day beverages and snacks. Ski Club members will need to provide their ski club member number. Call Mark and Donna Whitham to sign up and for meeting place, 524-6119 or dwhitham@srv.net.

March 17 - 18 Huckleberry Hotsprings Winter Campout.

East of Idaho Falls near Flagg Ranch. Easy 2 mile ski in over mildly rolling terrain. Depending on the trip participants, we may continue on to Polecat Hotsprings to camp and soak there. This is also great snowshoeing terrain. Last year we had a full moon for a moonlit stroll. Due to the new Park Service non-motorized plan, this may possibly be the last year we will be able to drive into Flagg Ranch. Call Mark and Donna Whitham to sign up and for meeting place, 524-6119 or dwhitham@srv.net.

March 31 - Meadow Lake

North of Idaho Falls in the Lemhi Mountains. 5.5 miles of moderate difficulty with a 2000

foot elevation gain to Meadow Lake Campground. Meet at McDonalds on Broadway at 7:30 A.M. to car pool to the trail head at the old townsite of Gilmore. End of the day beverages and snacks. Ski Club members will need to provide their ski club member number. Bring towels and tevas in case it is necessary to ski the hot springs at Goldbug instead. Call by March 25 to sign up: Garney Hardy 522-6128 gah@ida.net or Mark and Donna Whitham 524-6119 dwhitham@srv.net.

Contact us by Thursday every week to find out where we are headed to ski or snowshoe or winter camp.

Wilderness First Aid / Wilderness First Responder Renewal

April 21 - 22

Mark your calendars for this intense hands on two day First Aid course like no other first aid course you have ever taken. Watch the bulletin for more details on cost and location. There are 15 of us who have WFA certifications expiring in May 2001.

Kelly Canyon Ski Report

Paul McCarthy and Norm Kramer set traditional grooved ski tracks on 12/26 to:

Y-Junction
 Morgan Summit
 Hidden Vista
 Hawley Gulch Overlook
 Upper half of Tyro Loop
 The IFSC Hut
 Road 217 to the lower end of Hawley Gulch
 North of Morgan Summit on Road 218 about to the gate

Flat tracks for snowshoers were set to:

Y-Junction
Morgan Summit
The IFSC Hut
Road 217 to the lower end of Hawley Gulch

Enjoy the Kelly Canyon Nordic area

For Sale:

Ortovox F2 Avalanche Transceiver Dual
457kHz + 2,275kHz. \$100. Contact
208.524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net

La Sportiva Makalu boots, crampon
compatible, size 41, will fit a ladies 8.5 or
mens 7.5, have about 200 miles on them, but
look and feel new. \$100. Contact
208.524.6119 or dwhitham@srv.net

Indoor Soccer

Anyone interested in playing indoor soccer?
It is great exercise and lots of fun. Coed
teams play January 15th to February 17th.
Cost is \$42.50 for Y members and \$47.50 for
non-members. There is also a women's skill
clinic on Saturday mornings starting January
13. Cost is \$26 for Y members and \$30 for
non-members. For more information contact
the YMCA at 523-0600 or Rene at 542-5126.

Club Member Benefits

K & R Adventure Gear - is offering club
members, with a current member card, a 10%
discount on hiking, climbing, and outdoor
equipment. For more information the web
address is www.knradventuregear.com and
email: knrgear@srv.net or call Kurt or
Rebekah locally at 208.522.5279 or toll free
at 1.877.369.7407.

Canyon Whitewater Supply - is offering club
members, with a current member card, a 10%
discount on rafting and kayaking non-sale
supply and accessory items. For more
information call 208.522.3932

All Topo Maps on CD-ROM are now available
to IAC members who have a current
membership card at a 15% discount through
Timberline Outfitters

Discount membership to the American Alpine
Club. Singles may join the AAC for \$40
(instead of \$65) Couples may join for \$65
(instead of \$92.50). Applications must be
accompanied by a copy of your Idaho Alpine
Club membership card to get the discounted
rates. Applications can be accessed on the
AAC website:
<http://www.americanalpineclub.org> or at IAC
general meetings.

10 % discount on (non sale) outdoor
equipment at the following stores:
--Idaho Mountain Trading, Shoup & B
--Timberline Outfitters, Eagle Rock Station
--Sports Korner, Inc., 660 Northgate Mile

\$1.00 discount at Stone Walls Climbing Gym

Discounts on Jerry Painter's Hiking and
Biking guide books

Outdoor (non rafting) gear is available for
free use by paid up club members

Plus much more!

Connect with climbing, whitewater, hiking,
backpacking, biking, ski, expertise

Great activity schedule

Two annual socials (January and August)

Specialized information on outdoor activities
from local experts
Informative, fun, and even occasionally
educational programs

And last but not least, a subscription to this
wondrous newsletter. . .

Alpine Club Rental Gear:

Gear is available to paid-up members. Call the appropriate coordinator for more information.

North Face VE-24 tent--George Cole

Climbing helmets-- Leon Wolfram

Climbing harness, carabiner & figure 8-- Eric Peterson

Caving helmets-- Dean K.

Carbide lamps-- Dean K.

Ice axes-- Leon Wolfram

Clinometer & compass for cave mapping----Dean K.

PLUS rafting equipment --Vickie Hulet

Newsletter Advertising

Members: Free space is usually available for members' ads for used or needed equipment.

Free space (up to half pages depending on space) is also available to businesses that offer discounts to members.

Nonmembers: Half page ad - \$25

12 half-page ads, purchased at the same time - \$20 each for a total of \$240

Full-page ad - \$40

12 full-page ads purchased at the same time \$33.34 each for a total of \$400.

Stone Walls Rock Gym

Hours are 3:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Mon-Fri

1:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m. Saturdays

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sundays.

The gym offers a \$1 discount to Alpine Club members. *[Note: these hours may be out of date--please call to check.]*

Web site news

Have you visited the Idaho Alpine Club's homepage at <http://www.srv.net/~iac> lately?

Have you tried the great interactive features that have recently been added to the site:

* An IAC CLUB BULLETIN BOARD where you can post information, announcements, ask questions, make comments, whatever you'd like. It's like our own club newsgroup!
A 'SHARE-A-LINK' page where you can link to WWW sites submitted by members. You can even submit your own favorite links and they'll automatically be added to the list.

* Looking for specific information on the site?
- use the IAC SITE SEARCH feature to locate pages of specific interest